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OVER 15 MILLION SERVED!

Electronic Arts has announced that it has now sold 15 million games since the company was founded in 1982. That's a lot of floppy disks. EA has nine games which qualify as Platinum with over 250,000 sold each. How many of these do you own?

Chuck Yeager AFT	435,000
The Bard's Tale	407,000
Dr. J and Larry Bird	
Go One-On-One	390,000
Music Construction Set	325,000
Populous	292,000
Skyfox	286,000
Marble Madness	269,000
Starflight	263,000
Pinball Construction Set	253,000

LAWSUIT UPDATE
YOURS, MINE, AND OURS

Microsoft and Bruce Artwick, designer of *Flight Simulator*, have agreed to settle copyright infringement claims against subLOGIC and its *Airline Transport Pilot* flight simulator. The settlement clears the way for the release of *ATP* which had been blocked by a federal court case last June. The settlement acknowledges Microsoft's ownership of *Flight Simulator* copyrights, Artwick's ownership of other copyrights, and subLOGIC's ownership of the scenery disk copyrights. Artwick will own the *Flight Simulator* trademark as a result of the settlement, but will license *Flight Simulator* for the Apple II, Atari, and Commodore to subLOGIC. SubLOGIC will release a version of *ATP* that simulates five different jet liners on routes between 26 American cities.

SOFTWARE GANGSTERS?

An accounting firm from Plymouth Meeting, PA, has filed a class action suit against Ashton-Tate Corp. The plaintiff contends that Ashton-Tate has, among other things, violated 18 U.S.C. #1962, which is the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organization Act, by fraudulently procuring copyright protection for its *dBASE* software line of products. The plaintiff bases this attack on Ashton-Tate on the December 13th ruling by a U.S. District judge that stripped Ashton-Tate of its copyright protection for *dBASE*. In that ruling the judge determined that Ashton-Tate had failed in its copyright filing to acknowledge that *dBASE* was actually a derivative of *JPLDIS*, a public domain mainframe database system. The current suit maintains that Ashton-Tate, because of its copyright, was able to force users to license rather than buy the *dBASE* software. This licensing agreement, according to the litigation, caused users to spend more money through its restrictive prohibitions about copying networks and multi-unit systems. The plaintiff is asking the court to award an order certifying that the action may be maintained as a class action, compensatory damages, and punitive damages. An Ashton-Tate spokesperson said that the lawsuit is "completely without merit."

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A. Which of the following do you own:
- 1) Amiga 500 ❑
- 2) Amiga 1000 ❑
- 3) Amiga 2000 ❑
- 4) Amiga 2500 ❑
- 5) Amiga 3000 ❑
- 6) None ❑

B. If you plan to buy an Amiga, which one will you most likely purhase?
- 7) Amiga 500 ❑
- 8) Amiga 2000 ❑
- 9) Amiga 2500 ❑
- 10) Amiga 3000 ❑
- 11) Amiga 3000 UX ❑
- 12) CDTV ❑

C. How many hours per week do you and other members of your household spend using your computer system.
- 13) _____ hrs

D. a. Do you use your Amiga at work?
- 14) Yes❑
- 15) No ❑

b. Do you generate personal income with your Amiga?
- 16) Yes❑
- 17) No ❑
- 18) No, but plan to soon❑

E. How would you rank yourself as an Amiga user?
- 19) Beginner ❑
- 20) Advanced ❑
- 21) Intermediate ❑

F. What primary application do you use your computer for? (Check only one)
- 22) Video ❑
- 23) Graphics/Animation ❑
- 24) Desktop Publishing ❑
- 25) Music ❑
- 26) Spreadsheet/Financial ❑
- 27) Wordprocessing ❑
- 28) CAD ❑
- 29) Telecommunications ❑
- 30) Educational ❑
- 31) Software Development ❑
- 32) Entertainment ❑
- 33) Database Management ❑

G. What 2 secondary applications do you use you computer for? (Check two)
- 34) Video ❑
- 35) Graphics/Animation ❑
- 36) Desktop Publishing ❑
- 37) Music ❑
- 38) Spread Sheets/Financial ❑
- 39) Wordprocessing ❑
- 40) CAD ❑
- 41) Telecommunications ❑
- 42) Educational ❑
- 43) Software Development ❑
- 44) Entertainment ❑
- 45) Database Management ❑

H. Which of the following peripherals do you presently own, and which do you plan to purchase in the next 12 months? (If you plan to purchase a peripheral, please indicate how much you plan to spend.)

	Own	Purchase	Plan to Spend		Own	Purchase	Plan to Spend
46) Monitor	❑	❑	$ _____	53) Joystick/			
47) Floppy Drive	❑	❑	$ _____	Mouse/Etc	❑	❑	$ _____
48) Hard Drive	❑	❑	$ _____	54) Graphics Tablet	❑	❑	$ _____
49) Removable				55) Memory	❑	❑	$ _____
Storage	❑	❑	$ _____	56) Accelerator			
50) CD ROM	❑	❑	$ _____	Card	❑	❑	$ _____
51) Printer				57) Music Hardware	❑	❑	$ _____
a.Dot Matrix	❑	❑	$ _____	58) VCR	❑	❑	$ _____
b.Color	❑	❑	$ _____	59) Camcorder	❑	❑	$ _____
c.Laser/PostScript	❑	❑	$ _____	60) Video Hardware	❑	❑	$ _____
52) Modem	❑	❑	$ _____				

I. What is the total cost of all the computer hardware you presently own?
- 61) Less than $1000 ❑
- 62) $1001 - $1500 ❑
- 63) $1501 - $2000 ❑
- 64) $2001 - $2500 ❑
- 65) $2501 - $3000 ❑
- 66) $3001 - $3500 ❑
- 67) $3501 - $4000 ❑
- 68) $4001 - $4500 ❑
- 69) $4501 - $5000 ❑
- 70) over $5000 ❑

J. From which of the following categories do you plan to purchase software in the next 12 months?
- 71) Home Productivity ❑
- 72) Entertainment ❑
- 73) Utilites ❑
- 74) Educational ❑
- 75) Video ❑
- 76) Music ❑
- 77) Graphics/Animation ❑
- 78) Desktop Publishing ❑

K. Which of the following sources do you most often purchase software and hardware from?
- 79) Mail Order ❑
- 80) Retailer ❑
- 81) Manufacturer ❑

L. How many people, other than yourself, read or look through your copy of *.info*?
- 82)_____people

M. Do you use Reader service cards?
- 83)Yes ❑   84) No ❑

N. How often do you purchase a product after receiving information from a Reader Service Card?
- 85) Always ❑   88) Rarely ❑
- 86) Frequently ❑   89) Never ❑
- 87) Occasionally ❑

O. Do you read *.info*...
- 90) Cover to cover ❑
- 91) Only selected articles ❑
- 92) Just skim through ❑

P. How long do you keep and refer to each issue of *.info*?
- 93 Just until the next issue comes out ❑
- 94) 1-3 months ❑
- 95) 4-6 months ❑
- 96) Longer than 6 months ❑

Q. Please check the highest level of schooling you have completed..
- 97) Grade School ❑
- 98) High School ❑
- 99) Attended College ❑
- 100) Graduated College ❑
- 101) Some Graduate School ❑
- 102) Post Graduate Degree ❑

S. What is your age?
- 110) Under 18 ❑
- 111) 18 - 24 ❑
- 112) 25 - 34 ❑
- 113) 35 - 49 ❑
- 114) 50 - 64 ❑
- 115) Over 65 ❑

R. What was your total family income, before taxes, last year?
- 103) Less than $15,000 ❑
- 104) $15,000 - $25,000 ❑
- 105) $25,001 - $35,000 ❑
- 106) $35,001 - $45,000 ❑
- 107) $45,001 - $55,000 ❑
- 108) $55,001 - $75,000 ❑
- 109) More than $75,000 ❑

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